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# Wisconsin Department of Commerce, Bureau of PECFA **Bid Document**

## **SECTION 1 - Scope of Work**

The Bureau of PECFA is seeking competitive bids to perform remedial services for a petroleum release from a regulated petroleum product storage tank system. This bid is for a specified work scope. The site upon which bids are being solicited is:

Bid Round: 52

Comm #: 54873-9528-45-A BRRTS #: 03-04-000836

Site Name: Barnes Automotive

Site Address: HC 61 Box 5045 (50665 State Hwy 27), Barnes, 54873

Site Manager: Chris Saari

Address: 2501 Golf Course Rd City, State Zip: Ashland, WI 54806-3505

Phone: 715-685-2920

e-mail: christopher.saari@wisconsin.gov

Bid Manager: Will M. Myers Address: P.O. Box 8044

City, State Zip: Madison, Wisconsin 53708-8044

Phone: (608) 261-7718

e-mail: Will.Myers@Wisconsin.Gov

Bid-Start Date:	December 03, 2007
Questions must be received by (See Section 2 (B)):	December 17, 2007, 4:00 PM
Responses will be posted by (See Section 2 (B)):	January 04, 2008
Bid-End Date and Time:	January 18, 2008, 4:00 PM

The case file, including report(s) and other pertinent information upon which bids are being sought, are available for review at the Site Manager's location listed above. Please contact the Site Manager for an appointment to review the file.

Copies of report(s) and other pertinent information are available for purchase at the location listed below. If pertinent information is not available, please contact the Site Manager.

The Copy Shop-Ashland, 310 Stuntz Ave, Ashland, WI 54806 Phone: (715) 682-6567 Fax: (715) 682-6551

### **SECTION 2 – Site-Specific Bid Requirements**

#### **General Comments**

This site is a former service station and automotive repair facility. Gasoline and diesel UST systems were removed from the site in December 1994 and the site is currently vacant. The site is located north of a stream connecting Bony and Middle Eau Claire Lakes, the latter of which is designated as an Outstanding Resource Water (ORW) under s. NR 102.10(1m), Wis. Adm. Code. Soil at the site is described as fine to medium sand with some gravel. The depth to groundwater has been measured at 15-20 ft bgs. Regional groundwater flow is to the southwest, but local groundwater flow is to the east-northeast.

Soil contamination in excess of Table 1 values in s. NR 746.06, Wis. Adm. Code, was documented during the site investigation. Free product and significant dissolved phase contamination have been detected at the water table in the area around the former pump island. After the 2001 soil excavation no free product has been detected. High concentrations of dissolved phase contaminants have been detected at depth down-gradient from the source area, indicating that the plume is diving. Recent groundwater results also indicate that the plume margin is expanding. Drinking water in this area of Bayfield County is supplied by private wells, and several are located down-gradient of the site. In August 1998, DNR sampled the well serving the Nieckula residence, approximately 200 ft northeast of the source area, and detected significant petroleum contaminant concentrations. In December 1998, a replacement well was drilled approximately 430 ft northeast of the source area, and to date this replacement well has tested free of petroleum impacts.

This site was sent to bid in Round 16, and a soil vapor extraction system was operated seasonally from May 2002 until November 2003 to address source area contamination. This system reportedly removed 1,728 lb. of total volatile organic compounds (VOC) and 19.51 lb. of benzene. During this time, free product was bailed from MW-7, and periodic groundwater monitoring was also conducted.

However, benzene concentrations in a piezometer (PZ-3) located approximately 20 ft up-gradient of the replacement private well have increased from <0.13  $\mu$ g/L in May 1999 to 2,900  $\mu$ g/L in February 2004. PZ-3 is screened from 73-78 ft bgs, while the replacement private well is screened from 96-100 ft bgs. The well construction report from the replacement private well describes a layer of "hardpan" from 83-90 ft bgs. There are at least three additional private wells located down-gradient of the Nieckula replacement well.

The site was bid a second time in round 31. The pump and treat system was operated from December 2004 until December 2007.

## **Minimum Remedial Requirements**

Operate the pump and treat system for one year (12 months), starting the system no later than 30 days after the completion of a contract. Costs for operation and maintenance for the system shall be included. Use current utility prices for this bid, understanding that the cost for utilities will be paid off of the submitted invoices. During this period of operation, collect groundwater samples according to the schedule in the table below.

Due to previous exceedances of WPDES permit limits for lead, the pump and treat system shall be sampled (influent and effluent) on a monthly basis for petroleum volatile organic compounds (PVOC) plus naphthalene and lead. In addition, the entire system shall be flushed and cleaned monthly to help reduce possible permit limit exceedances.

After the system has been run for the twelve months, shut the system down and continue groundwater monitoring (see schedule below). Provide costs for maintenance of the system while it is not running so that it can be re-started if necessary. Provide costs for a second year for the system, should the Project manager find it necessary.

The winning bidder will have the lowest cost for all of the bid elements, however the second year for system operation will not be released until the Project Manager requires it.

Provide bottle water for the Nieckula residence for the duration of this bid cycle plus an additional three months.

Along with the system start up, conduct quarterly groundwater sampling per table for three years (12 quarters), with the monitoring wells (MW) sampled for PVOC + naphthalene, and private wells for VOC using EPA Method 524.2:

MW-1	WL	MW-12	WL	Barnes Auto	NONE
MW-2	Q	MW-13	WL	Nieckula	Q
MW-3	WL	MW-14	WL	Rental	Q
MW-4	WL	PZ-1	S	Zimm	NONE
MW-5	Α	PZ-2	WL	Borck	Α
MW-6	WL	PZ-3	Q	Bjorkman	Α
MW-7	Α	PZ-4	S	Jim's Bait	NONE
MW-8	WL	PZ-5	S	Shemwell	NONE
MW-9	WL	PZ-6	WL		
MW-10	WL	PZ-7	Α		
MW-11	WL				

WL = Water Levels only

Q = Quarterly

S = Semi-annually

A = Annually

Submit potable well results to the DNR within 10 days of receipt as required by s. NR 716.13(9), Wis. Adm. Code.

Submit status reports on at least a semi-annual basis, documenting the progress of the remedial effort as well as the periodic groundwater monitoring. Status reports shall contain updated results tables and groundwater flow maps specific to each sampling event.

### **SECTION 3 - Reporting Timeframes**

Within 60 days of the Commerce notification of the maximum reimbursement amount, the responsible party (RP) must execute a written contract with one of the firms that submitted a bid. Failure to execute the written contract within this time will result in ineligibility of interest expenses incurred from the date of the reimbursement cap letter until a contract is executed and work commences at the site. Work must commence within 45 days of signing a contract. There are specific reporting requirements in Comm 47.70 to monitor the progress of activities at each bid site and there may be additional reporting requirements outlined above. The consulting firm that is contracted to complete the scope of work is required to report the progress of this site to Commerce electronically on the web site at each of the following points:

- 1. Within fourteen days of executing or terminating a contract with the RP.
- 2. Three months after entering into the contract with the RP.
- 3. Twelve months after beginning the work in the successful bid, unless the project is completed before that time (point 6 applies).
- 4. Twelve months after submitting the previous report (point 3), unless the project is completed before that time (point 6 applies).
- 5. No later than 10 days after encountering a change in circumstances (the list of circumstances is in Comm 47.70 (3)).
- 6. No later than 30 days after completing the work.
- 7. As directed by Commerce.

If Commerce determines that the consulting firm is failing to make adequate progress to complete the scope of work, Commerce will notify the RP and may reduce the reimbursement to accurately reflect the work completed.

#### Claim Submittal

A claim must be submitted to Commerce within 120 days of submitting the report described in *Reporting Timeframe*, *point #6*. If a claim is not submitted by the deadline described above, interest costs from the date the report (point #6) is submitted to the date the claim is received will not be reimbursed to the claimant. The claim preparation cost must be included in the Total Bid Amount and is considered within the reimbursement cap.

### **Questions and Answers**

Questions, answers and interpretations will be considered an amendment of this solicitation. All questions must be submitted in writing (fax and electronic mail submittals are acceptable) to the Bid Manager identified in Section 1 of this solicitation. All answers and interpretations shall be in writing from the Bid Manager. Neither the PECFA program nor Commerce shall be legally bound by any amendments or interpretations that are not in writing. Bidders are not to contact other personnel located within the Department of Commerce/Bureau of PECFA concerning the site or the bid solicitation between the Bid Announcement Date and Bid End Date. No further questions will be addressed after the deadline for submitting questions identified in Section 1.

#### **SECTION 4 - Conditions of Bid**

The successful bidder will be the entity that complies with all provisions of the bid and provides the lowest total cost, excluding interest, for the site-specific bid requirements described in Section 2. In preparing the bid, the bidder must assume compliance with all applicable codes, including, but not limited to, §Comm 46, §Comm 47, and §NR 700 Wis. Admin. Codes.

The bid Commerce selects to determine the least costly method of remedial action will be the least costly qualified bid. Commerce will rank the bids solely on the basis of cost. Evaluation of bids will continue until the least costly qualified bid is identified. Submittals from an individual or firm during their period of disqualification from bidding, submittals received late and for submittals without a certified commitment (performance assurance and/or signature) will not be considered as bids. Commerce may disqualify a bid for the following reasons:

- Requirements of the bid specifications have not been met.
- The remedial strategy is not appropriate to the geologic setting.
- A Total Bid Amount is insufficient to fund the activities described in the bid specifications.

Commerce reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Any proposed technology or methods used in the remediation must be allowed for use in the State of Wisconsin and approvable by the agency with jurisdiction (Natural Resources or Commerce).

The bidder Commerce intends to select may be required to provide input to and attend a meeting with the PECFA program and the claimant to explain the bid and remedial approach.

If a bid is disqualified, Commerce will provide written notification to any individual or firm that submitted a disqualified bid. The notification shall specify the reasons for the disqualification, and inform the individual or firm of their right to protest or appeal the decision. If a bid is more costly than the bid Commerce intends to select, the bid will not be reviewed.

The Notice of Intent will identify the least costly bid, disqualified bid(s) and bid(s) not reviewed. The Notice of Intent will be sent to the RP and will be posted on PECFA's Internet Web site.

#### **SECTION 5 - Instructions to Bidders**

Between the bid start and end dates, bidders shall not discuss or attempt to negotiate any aspects of the bid with the RP, other potential bidders or program staff without prior approval of the Bid Manager identified in Section 1. Infractions will result in rejection of the violator's bid and may result in a formal complaint being filed with the Department of Regulation and Licensing.

If access to the site is necessary for the preparation of a bid, access shall be arranged through the Bid Manager. If the Bid Manager is not able to arrange site access, this will not delay the bid process nor negate the comparison and selection from among the bids submitted. All costs associated with a site visit or preparation of a bid will be the bidder's responsibility.

The Bidding Process must conform to the following:

- 1. The Bid Response shall address all the site-specific bid requirements identified in Section 2.
- 2. The total bid amount to accomplish the stated goal must include all fees, reporting costs, pre- and post-closure costs and costs for establishing restrictions or institutional controls, when applicable (interest costs are excluded).
- 3. The submittal must include a copy of the Bid Response document signed by a Professional Engineer, Professional Geologist, Hydrologist or Soil Scientist licensed by the State of Wisconsin. The appropriate registration number of the professional license must be included. Registration requirements are listed in Comm 5.
- 4. Bids *cannot* be faxed or sent electronically (email) to the program. Documents received by fax or email will not be considered.
- 5. Bids, amendments thereto or withdrawal requests must be received by 4 pm on the bid end date.
- 6. The consulting firm's name must be included and all pages of the Bid Response.
- 7. All costs must be printed (ink, typewritten or computer). Errors must be crossed out, corrections entered and initialed by the person signing the bid. Correction fluid is not allowed. No bid shall be altered or amended after the time specified for the bid end date.
- 8. Each bidder shall fully acquaint themselves with conditions relating to the scope and restrictions attending to the execution of the work under the conditions of this bid. The failure of a bidder to acquaint themselves with existing documented conditions shall in no way relieve any obligation with respect to this bid.
- 9. All amendments to and interpretations of this bid shall be in writing from the Bid Manager. Neither Commerce nor the program shall be legally bound by any amendment or interpretation that is not in writing.
- 10. This bid is intended to promote competition. If the language, specifications, terms and conditions, or any combination thereof restricts or limits the requirements in this bid to a single source, it shall be the responsibility of the interested bidders to notify the program in writing so as to be received five days prior to the opening date. The bid may or may not be changed; however a review of such notification will be made prior to award.

### **SECTION 6 - Bidder Disqualification**

Commerce may disqualify from public bidding any individual or firm that has committed any of the following (Comm 47.67 (1) (a)):

- 1. Failed to complete the scope of work within the reimbursement cost cap established through public bidding.
- 2. Failed to complete the scope of work in a bid in a timely manner.
- 3. Failed to follow DNR rules on the bid project.
- 4. Received one or more notices from Commerce under s. Comm 47.62 (2) that assess the financial management of an investigation as unacceptable.
- 5. In any prior occurrence that has been publicly bid, failed to do either of the following:
  - a. Pay subcontractors after receiving payment for them.
  - b. Obtain lien waivers on or before the date of the final payment by the RP or the PECFA program, from all subcontractors paid under subd. 5. a.
- 6. Failed to execute a contract with the RP as required in s. Comm 47.69 (1).
- 7. Failed to commence work within 45 days after executing a contract, as required in s. Comm 47.69 (3).

Commerce may disqualify any individual or firm from performing further work on a project if the individual or firm has not completed any of the six reporting points required in Comm 47.70 and outlined in Section 2 of this bid document. Commerce will review and address the issue as stated in Comm 47.70 (4).

## **BID RESPONSE**

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Department of Commerce PECFA Program

SITE NAME: Barnes Automotive COMMERCE #: 54873-9528-45

BRRTS #: 03-04-000836

Submit Bid Response To:	Cathy Voges Public Bid Response Department of Commerce PECFA Bureau 201 W Washington Ave, Madison WI 53703-2760 or PO Box 8044, Madison WI 53708-8044
Consulting Firm Name:	,
Complete Mailing	
Address:	
Telephone:	( ) -
Fax Number:	( ) -
E-mail Address:	
Bidder (check one that appl	lies):
complete the wo Total Bid Amou assurance will	Certify (by marking with a check or X) a commitment to ork described in the bid specifications in its entirety for the nt proposed below. Failure to provide this performance disqualify this bid response. Providing unsolicited ad/or contingency statements in your bid submittal will
Total Bid Amount: \$	
Print Name:	
Title:	
I certify that I have the a performance of the bid I have	authority to commit my organization or firm to the ve submitted.
Signature:	

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A bid will be considered non-compliant if the bid response does not include a separate tabulation of costs for each activity.

1	Bid Amount (all costs except second year of operation)	\$
2	Second year of operation	\$
3	PECFA Claim Preparation	\$
4	Total Bid Amount	\$